

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Wednesday, September 21, 2005

SENIOR CENTER, WARREN TOWN HALL, WARREN, RI

Pursuant to proper notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Anger at 6:00 pm, in the Senior Center, Warren Town Hall, Warren, Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise, and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:

Bert Anger, John Jannitto, John Saviano, Frank Sylvia, John Veader

Chairman Anger discussed the Open Meetings Law and the taking of minutes during sub committee meetings. Executive Director DeLise stated that this matter had been addressed in the past and it was determined that the individual reports of the Committee meetings as updated by the Executive Director constitute the minutes of the Committee meetings. Legal counsel will be requested to provide an opinion to that effect.

HOUSEKEEPING

Minutes of the following meetings were reviewed.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the regular meeting of August 25, 2005, be and hereby are approved, as amended.

Motion passed unanimously.

AUDIT/FINANCE

Old Business, Director Saviano reported:

1. Status of Water Resources Board Grant Requests, request for the amount of \$58,700 approved by RIWRB on 9/13/05. Executive Director DeLise stated that BCWA should expect payment in six weeks. The Executive Director also informed the Board that Mr. Tom Walker, of the RIWRB will retire as of 10/14/05.

2. BCWA Bristol Office, Closing done on 9/15/05. BCWA received \$420,065.34 (includes \$65.34 for sewer adjustment). Chairman Anger requested an accounting of total money spent to refurbish the school, which should include outside contractors and BCWA employees who worked at the school for next months meeting.

3. Watershed Protection Program, Committee recommends approval to acquire parcel by Eminent Domain. Executive Director DeLise stated that a letter was sent to the owners, to date no reply has been

received. Director Saviano stated that BCWA must acquire the land by December 31, 2005 to be eligible for reimbursement by the State. Executive Director DeLise stated that a requisition would have to be submitted before December 31 for Capital Improvements. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was

VOTED: Committee recommends to proceed with the taking of land by eminent domain, meeting 55% of the agreement amount, to adopt subject resolution, and to notify landowners, as presented.

Motion passed 4 – 1, Director Jannitto voted nay.

Executive Director DeLise stated he will proceed with the taking.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL

New Business, Director Veader reported:

1. 2006 Poster Calendars, Committee recommends approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To award contract to 136 Express of Bristol at a price of \$1,700 for 300 posters, as presented.

Director Saviano stated that he was voting against the motion, the company should be saving money at this time. Director Saviano, who is also a member of the Bristol Warren School Committee, will make an issue with the school committee to have the calendars posted in

each classroom.

Motion passed 4 – 1, Director Saviano voted nay.

2. Other Potential Fund Raising Venues (at the Request of Director Veader), Executive Director DeLise to obtain information on advertising on storage tanks or for installation of cell phone antennas.

ENGINEERING

Old Business, Chairman Anger reported:

Chairman Anger stated that for the second month in a row there was no one present from the Engineering Committee. Therefore he made the following motion

VOTED: Chairman of each sub committee must inform his members and request that at least one member of that committee be present at the Board meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

1. WTP Project Update, Production Superintendent updated the Board on the status of the WTP.

Discussion followed concerning when the plant would reopen. Director Veader stated that the job is just inching along, and asked

the Executive Director when he expected to open the plant. Executive Director DeLise stated the deadline is Thanksgiving.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's Report was self-explanatory.

NEXT STEPS

- 1. Public Relations/Personnel Committee Meeting, Tuesday, October 4, 2005, 5:15 p.m., Senior Center, Warren Town Hall.**
- 2. Engineering Committee Meeting, Wednesday, October 5, 2005, 5:15 p.m., Senior Center, Warren Town Hall.**
- 3. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Thursday, October 6, 2005, 5:15 p.m., Senior Center, Warren Town Hall.**
- 4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, October 12, 2005, 6:00 pm, Senior Center, Warren Town Hall.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

William J. Lavey, Jr.

BCWA Secretary